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Notice to Navigation Interests

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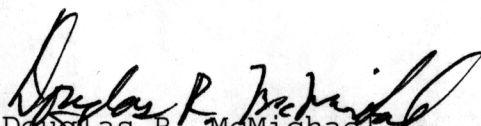
Waterway
Upper Mississippi River

SPECIAL NOTICE TO NAVIGATION INTERESTS

Locks No. 27, Mississippi River, UMR Mile 185.1

1. All navigation interests are advised that the St. Louis District will be closing the main lock chamber at Locks No. 27 for removal of the nappe section on the downstream leaf of the lift gate.
2. The main lock chamber will be closed from 0800 until 1800 on 9 June 2003. The lock will reopen at 1800 for night lockages. The Lock will re-close from 0600 until 1800 on 10 June 2003 for completion of the nappe removal. Additional closures will be required in July for repairs to the gate leaf and September for reinstallation of the nappe section. Scheduling of these closures will be coordinated and announced with additional Notices to Navigation Interests after the gate leaf is inspected.
3. During the time periods that the main lock chamber is closed, the auxiliary lock will remain open to traffic. However, since the auxiliary lock is not equipped with tow haulage equipment, double lockage tows will have to arrange for pull boat assistance. The towing industry self help program of using waiting tow boats to assist in pulling cuts will be coordinated if the situation warrants it.
4. All navigation interest should be alert for, and abide by, any special instructions that may be issued by the Lockmaster in conjunction with this closure.

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